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9	BEFORE THE RESPIRATORY CARE BOARD		
10	DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
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12	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. R-2060	
13	DOMINIC JOSEPH		
14	1721 E. Colton Avenue Apt. 86 Redlands, California 92374	STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AND DISCIPLINARY ORDER; PUBLIC REPRIMAND	
15	Respiratory Care Practitioner License No. 14605	REPRIMAND	
16	Respondent.		
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18	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the		
19	above-entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:		
20	<u>PARTIES</u>		
21	1. Stephanie Nunez (Complainant) is the Executive Officer of the		
22	Respiratory Care Board of California (Board). She brought this action solely in her official		
23	capacity and is represented in this matter by Edmund G. Brown Jr., Attorney General of the State		
24	of California, by Elaine Gyurko, Senior Legal Analyst.		
25	2. Dominic Joseph (Respondent) is representing himself in this proceeding		
26	and has chosen not to exercise his right to be represented by counsel.		
27	3. On or about September 19, 1991, the Board issued Respiratory Care		
28	Practitioner License Number 14605 to Respondent. This license was in full force and effect at all		

times relevant to the charges herein and will expire on September 30, 2007, unless renewed.

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JURISDICTION

Accusation No. R-2060 was filed before the Board and is currently

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pending against Respondent. The Accusation, together with all other statutorily required documents, was properly served on Respondent on March 7, 2007. Respondent timely filed his Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A copy of Accusation No. R-2060 is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

- 5. Respondent has carefully read and understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. R-2060. Respondent has also carefully read and understands the effects of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order.
- 6. Respondent is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel, at his own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against him; the right to present evidence and to testify on his own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 7. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.
- 8. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Accusation No. R-2060. Respondent agrees to be bound by the Board's Disciplinary Order as set forth below.

NON-COMPLIANCE WITH ORDER

9. In the event respondent fails to comply with the terms of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, such failure shall be deemed a violation of Business and Professions Code section 3750, subdivision (g), and the Board, after giving notice and the opportunity to be heard, may take additional disciplinary action against respondent.

CONTINGENCY

- 10. This stipulation shall be subject to the approval of the Board. Respondent understands and agrees that Respiratory Care Board of California's staff and counsel for Complainant may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondent. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Order, except for this paragraph, the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.
- 11. The parties agree that facsimile copies of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, including facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the original.
- 12. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the Board shall, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Disciplinary Order:

DISCIPLINARY ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Respondent's RCP License No. 14605 shall be publicly reprimanded by the Respiratory Care Board of California. This document shall constitute the formal public reprimand and provides that based on admissions by respondent in paragraph 8 of this Stipulation, respondent agrees:

- A. No further violation of the law will occur; and
- B. He shall pay to the Board costs of investigation and prosecution of this matter in the amount of \$ 915.50. This amount shall be paid in monthly installments within 12 months of the effective date of this decision.

ACCEPTANCE

I have carefully read the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, and I fully understand the terms and conditions and other matters contained therein. I understand the effect this stipulation will have on my Respiratory Care Practitioner License. I enter into this Stipulated Settlement voluntarily, knowingly and intelligently and agree to be bound by the

1	Disciplinary Order and Decision of the Respiratory Care Board. I further agree that a facsimile	
2	copy of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, including facsimile copies of	
3	signatures, may be used with the same force and effect as the originals.	
4	DATED: <u>June 4, 2007</u> .	
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6	<u>Original signed by:</u> DOMINIC JOSEPH	
7	Respondent	
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9	<u>ENDORSEMENT</u>	
10	The foregoing Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully	
11	submitted for consideration by the Respiratory Care Board of the Department of Consumer	
12	Affairs.	
13	DATED: <u>June 19, 2007</u> .	
14	EDMUND G. BROWN JR., Attorney General of the State of California	
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16	Original signed by:	
17	ELAINE GYURKÓ Senior Legal Analyst	
18	Attorneys for Complainant	
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BEFORE THE RESPIRATORY CARE BOARD DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. R-2060

DOMINIC JOSEPH 1721 E. Colton Avenue Apt. 86 Redlands, California 92374

Respiratory Care Practitioner License No. 14605

Respondent.

DECISION AND ORDER

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby adopted by the Respiratory Care Board, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in the above entitled matter.

This Decision shall become effective on July 26, 2007.

It is so ORDERED July 16, 2007.

Original signed by:

LARRY L. RENNER, BS, RRT, RCP, RPFT PRESIDENT, RESPIRATORY CARE BOARD DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA